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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 24, FORBES, British str., 509, Abbott, Tamsui 19th April, Taiwanfu 22nd, and Amoy 23rd. General—DOUGLAS LAFRAKE & Co.

April 25, DECOAN, British steamer, 3,622, C.R. Edwards, Shanghai 22nd April, Muhs and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

April 25, FONTOZA, British 3-m. coh., 381, W. J. Quayle, King George's Sound, W.A. 17th Feb, Sandalwood—SIXMEN & Co.

April 25, HUNTERIAN, American ship, 1,267, G.M. Nichols, Newcastle, N.S.W. 8th March, Coal—Orion.

April 25, MESSING, British steamer, 1,323, H. Longley, London 2nd March, and Singapore 19th April, General—RUSSELL & Co.

April 25, PORTLAND CASTLE, British steamer, 3,119, William Waring, London 10th March, and Singapore 20th April, General—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

April 25, MUSATAKA, German steamer, 1,286, Schulte Swinton 24th April—SIEGMANN & Co.

April 25, ALEXANDER, British steamer, 309, J. McDonald, Saigon 21st April, EICOSIEMSEN & Co.

April 25, CLEMENCE, British steamer, 309, at the HARBOUR Master's Office, April 25th.

Glenavon, British steamer for Shanghai.

Messer, British steamer, for Yokohama.

Zoysia, British steamer, for Saigon.

Henrica, British steamer, for Woosung.

Peking, British steamer, for Shanghai.

Bisouca, British steamer, for Saigon.

Bothwell Castle, British steamer, for Saigon.

Bellona, German str., for Saigon.

Lido, British steamer, for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.

April 25, SAINTEE, French str., for Holkow.

April 25, GREYHOUND, British steamer, for Hobow.

April 25, SWIFT, British gunboat, for Canton.

April 25, BEARSTEY, British steamer, for Nagasaki.

April 25, YOKOHO MARU, Japanese str., for Kubishimizu.

April 25, WM. MANSION, British bark, for Chefoo.

April 25, PETERBURG, Russian steamer, for Vladivostock.

April 25, MATARAM, German schooner, for Amoy.

April 25, HAINAN, British steamer, for Hobow.

April 25, NESTOR, British str., for Shanghai.

April 25, BUCHEWELL CASTLE, British str., for Saigon.

April 25, FAIRIES, British str., for Shanghai.

April 25, LIDO, British str., for Amoy.

APRIL 25. PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

For Fukien, str., from East Coast.—Messrs. Goldsbrough, Mifflin, and Keller, and 59 Chinese deck.

For Dacca, str., from Shanghai.—For Hongkong—Major Hulman, Messrs. C. J. Holliday, J. Macmillan, and Mahone, Ally, and 11 Chinese.

For Victoria—Mr. H. S. Morris, Mr. Taylor, for London—Mr. and Mrs. Gearin, 3 children, and amah, Mrs. Dodgeon, the Misses Dodgeon (4), Masters Dodgeon (3), 2 children, and amah, and Mr. E. Swanson.

For Messina, str., from London, &c.—216 Chinese.

For Gordon Castle, str., from London, &c.—145 Chinese.

For Wellington, str., from Saigon.—7 Chinese.

For Bangalore, str., for Straits Settlements.

For Shantung, str., for Foo-ning.—Mr. and Mrs. U. V. O. and son, Mr. Eric True, 3 sons, woman, child, and 2 servants, 4 children, and 24 Chinese.

For Galende, str., for Marquesas.—Mrs. Paschek, Capt. Mercier, and Mr. C. H. Dods.

REPORTS.

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In yesterday's issue we reproduced from the N. C. Daily News an able and important article dealing with the position reported to have been taken up by the Chinese Government with regard to foreign industries and manufacturers at Shanghai. In a later issue of the same journal received yesterday we find the following statement:—"We have seen a despatch from the Tsing-ti Yamen, stating that the Viceroy of the Liang Kiang has received instructions to use any means in his power for putting a stop to all foreign manufactures which have been or may hereafter be established in Shanghai. This, of course, does no more than bear out the statements made in our leading article of Thursday; but it proves, at any rate, that those statements were founded on actual facts, and facts of such a nature as to demand the prompt and serious attention of foreigners." This piece of intelligence is certainly decided and definite enough, and goes to show the line of policy the Peking Authorities intend to adopt towards foreigners. As our Shanghai contemporary has clearly shown in its article on the subject, the Chinese Government have not a leg to stand up so far as any argument derived from the treaties is concerned, the foreign versions of those agreements having been accepted by both contracting parties as determining the cause in the event of any dispute arising. Moreover, the Chinese Government have allowed the Russians to build and work brick tea factories not only in the treaty ports but in places far removed from the limits of those ports. The position really assumed by the Tsing-ti Yamen is this: whether or not the treaties give the right to foreigners to establish factories or industries in the treaty ports, we intend to root them out by any and all means at our disposal. Such a consideration as the breach of good faith involved in the violation of treaty stipulations gives the Peking mandarins very little concern; all they care about is that the foreigners shall have no new opportunity of obtaining a fresh inducement to remain on the soil of the Celestial Empire. The rulers of China appear to learn nothing by experience, to be quite unable to see that, while benefiting themselves, foreigners are laying the foundations of such commercial and industrial prosperity for the Chinese as they have never known and could never hope to realize without the aid of the hated and despised Western. The tactics resorted to by the Viceroy Tao Tzu-tsao in order to carry out his instructions transmitted to him from the capital are simply a disgrace even to a semi-civilized State, and "most assuredly open the eyes even of the humanitarian party in England who have lately been urging the advisability of conceding to the Chinese Government the same rights as are claimed by European States. It must be obvious to the most prejudiced person that China is still as far as ever from appreciating the obligations she undertakes when concluding a treaty, and that her Government never hesitates to break through these obligations when their interests appear to them to clash with the treaty. Ever since the rejection of the Treaty of Livadié by China, and the subsequent apparent concession gained from Russia, the Government of Peking have displayed a haughty and aggressive spirit towards all foreigners. An example of this has been furnished by their strange and indefensible treatment of Japan in connexion with the negotiations over the Loochoo question. They have since displayed a desire to practically reduce Korea to the rank of a dependency of Peking; they have manifested a plainly hostile spirit towards France in reference to the occupation of Tonquin; they have evinced an inclination to treat the Germans in a cavalier manner

over the land difficulty at Swatow; they have exhibited a disposition to oppose the landing of the English Telegraph Company's cable at Woosung; and they now proclaim open war against all industries or manufacturers of foreign origin which are or may be conducted at Shanghai. We know not who is the guiding genius of the foreign policy of Peking at the present moment; there is nothing very stable in that capital, intrigue being always at work against the *de facto* rulers—but we can confidently assert that it has assumed a phase which cannot fail, if persevered in, to eventually plunge the country into disputes and complications with foreign powers, the outcome of which might prove disastrous to China.

H.M. double-screw gun-vessel *Swift*, Commander Collins, left here yesterday for a cruise.

The Russian steamer *Grand Due Constantine*, having been sold, has had her name changed to the *Grolier Hall*.

We are requested to state that Lady Boree will not be to this receive visitors to-day at Government House.

The P. & O. steamer *Sutlej*, with the next outward English mail, left Singapore at 8 a.m. on Saturday last for this port.

We acknowledge receipt from the Statistical Department of the Imperial Maritime Customs of the Chinese version of the List of Lighthouses, Buoys, and Beacons on the China Coast.

The last half of the second series of the Lawe Teng's *Touranum* was played yesterday afternoon—Gordon and F. Hamond beat Costell and J. J. Bell-Irving by two sets to one, (6-2), (1-6), and (6-3).

The Agents (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.) inform us that the steamer *Bacon* left Port Darwin for Hongkong on the 19th instant, and is expected to arrive here on the 30th. The *Catfish* was advertised to leave Sydenay on the 1st instant, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 8th proximo. The *Tamazia* arrived in Sydney on the 11th instant.

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EXTRACTS.

NIGHT.

Low sinks the flaming orb of day, and wide,
The sunset gates on golden hinges swing,
As Daylight through them glides on golden wings,
With Eve and dusky Twilight for sole,
Calm Nights laid gently down the last of gold,
That struck for 'er the purple mountain heights,
And soft the stars look out from azure gold.
To wander o'er the radiant fields of light,
Queen Nature slopes and smiles amid her dream,
As steals on earth Eve's match,
While soft the moon bright glides the silent stream,
And dools with silver-light the dreamy glade,
As sleeps the world, the sun takes heavenly wing
And with the stars goes wandering.

Cuthbert T. Usury.

ODDITIES OF THE INDIAN CENSUS.

The census returns (says the *Postman*) show an aggregate of over three thousand professional "acrobats" in the North-West Provinces and Oudh. There are one thousand one hundred "actors," one thousand "balad singers," one hundred and forty-six "curees" by incantation, "thirty-three "gamblers," ninety-seven "snake charmers," fifty "match makers," four "poets," ten thousand "singers and dancers," four "story-tellers," seven "thieves" (not including persons returned as household servants), and some professionals whose ancestors were probably among the Catilinarian retinues. Three classes of persons are worth a separate numerical quotation. There are over seven millions and a half cultivators of the soil. The landholders number nearly ten thousand. As intimately connected with both of these classes we may record the number of *mahajans* or money-lenders—nearly forty thousand.

TRAGIC EPISODE.

The long and prosperous career of Flotow, the composer, who died last month, was temporarily clouded in 1854 by the death of his younger brother, which took place under painfully dramatic circumstances. He was rather what is euphemistically called a "wild" fellow; and a practical joke which he perpetrated in a half-drunk fit was taken as an insult by the whole body of the Mecklenburg deputies, of whom he himself was one. A dozen challenges ensued, and De Flotow agreed to meet any single antagonist selected by lot. This, as it happened, turned out to be a certain Count Z., one of the deputies who resented the offence most keenly. On De Flotow's asking him if he thought a stupid fool worth fighting about, and receiving an emphatic answer in the affirmative, "Be it so," he said, "and if you attack as little value to life as I do, we will fight in the American fashion—I striking my life against yours in a series of five points; the loser to blow out his brains in twenty-four hours." The proposition was agreed to, cards were brought, and the two men commenced their terrible game. The score stood at four points on each side, when Count Z. turned the king. "You have won, sir," said young De Flotow rising; "I will pay before noon to-morrow." Next day he slept till eleven. After breakfast he took a turn in the flocks of the ancestral mansion, after which he hid his face in his hands for a moment as if weeping. He then pulled out his watch; it wanted but five minutes of noon. M. de Flotow entered his study. At twelve precisely the report of a pistol shook the windowpanes. He had punctually killed himself.—*St. James's Gazette*.

BURMESE SUPERSTITIONS.

The Chinese hill tribes believe that man has three souls, and these are satisfactorily disposed of. One appropriately and conveniently remains in the grave, another takes up the position on his ancestral board, and the third roams about unrestrained in the spirit world and not necessarily corporeal. Many of the hill tribes are fond, as in India, of giving their dead child a dog, or (by due of prayers and supplication) the departed soul of an old and experienced person as a guide, that the infant wanderer may not miss his way on the path to the spirit world. For this reason it was that the Mongolian sent slaves to accompany their dead princes. The Chinese, however, have a more humane idea. They believe that since it is likely that the dead man will be unable to find his way safely to the world of spirits, and may as probably as not stay from the right path, the kings of the underworld furnish him with a little devil to act the part of guide and servant to the newly disembodied spirit on its journey. The Poles used to have a notion of a similar kind, though they like the Chinese, did not display it in such an unpleasant way for survivors. It was their custom to lay bears claws in the grave, to serve the dead man as hosts with the help of which he might climb the great glass mountain. According to the common notion among the Kerevins, the dead return as "pho-pho" in the world of Ptu, under the sovereignty of the great King Costay or Tasedo, the occupations which they had followed while here as yet mortals upon earth—a curious blot at the caste system of the Hindus, which has no place with the Kerevins while they are alive. Some of the tribes are so impressed with the dangers that may come upon them through departed spirits that they destroy their villages when the death of a grown-up person takes place, just as many negro tribes do with the house in which the dead man lived. It is, of course, a very simple matter with them where the houses are mere wretched shacks, that can be restored in a day's time, by a moderately industrious man. Where the houses are all of a better and more substantial character, or where the community is fairly numerous, it is generally found quite sufficient to purify the house with the aid of a witch doctor and propitiate the new gods. Anything that gives very great trouble is much more speedily found out to be grossly superstitious than a measure which entails no great labour, while at the same time, being of a very obvious and extensive character, it seems likely to be efficacious. The destruction of the house or village is of course intended to get rid of the dangerous proximity of the departed spirits, who according to the Laos and many other tribes, withdraw into a corner of the house where the death has occurred, and have a knack of making themselves extremely unpleasant unless they are well cared for. The Laos have an idea which is curiously at variance with the Western theories as to the habits of ghosts. The semi-Chinese tribe ever that the spirits of dead men wander about during the day, but when night comes on retire to their homes in the most domestic possible way, for all the world as if they were good solid flesh and blood. Possibly this may be due to the difficulty of suddenly changing the habits they were accustomed to, whereas they existed upon earth in the bodies of men, and it may be only the new enfranchised spirits that act in this way, though I do not say so. The opponents of the destruction of villages to dispel the nats have a very strong case in the argument that as long as the demons are in the *boungs* (or) know where they are, and are enabled to conciliate them with more or less success, whereas if they are ruthlessly exorcised they wander about homeless and in an aggrieved state of mind, likely to be extremely dangerous to the luckless wights who come in their way, especially as the victims have not the means of finding out where to propitiate them, however respectful their sentiments may be. It seems, therefore, that house-burning will shortly be altogether abandoned as selfish and antagonistic to the public welfare.—*Cornhill Magazine*.

THE DUKEDOM OF NORFOLK.

On the 23rd of next June the Duke of Norfolk will complete its fourth century. According to "Burke," John Lord Howard, who in 1483 made Duke of Norfolk and Earl Marshal of England, his eldest son Thomas being also created Earl of Surrey. The Duke attended the coronation of Richard III only as Earl Marshal, but as High Sheriff of England, and he subsequently made Lord Admiral of England and Ireland. His Grace did not long enjoy these honours, for in the following year he was slain at Bosworth Field in leading the van of Edward's army. It is probable that the 400th anniversary of the creation of the title will not be allowed to pass by quite unnoticed at Arundel and Sleaford. Readers of goings-on Sir Nathaniel William Wraxall will remember how the then Duke, just 100 years ago, intended to give at his Castle of Arundel a grand entertainment to all the living descendants of the body of "Jockey of the North," but was deterred by finding that in all probability some hundreds of persons would put it in a claim to appear, and the contemplated festival was abandoned.

RECRUITING BY ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Broad Arrow, alluding to the practice which is being followed by Lord Hartington for advertising for recruits, says that in these advertisements young men are told that if they wish to enter the army they will be applied to any post office in the kingdom, to be supplied without charge with a pamphlet containing detailed information on the subject. It is explained that the enlistment is for seven years with the colours, and five in the Reserve, the pay for the latter where there are no duties performed being 6d. a day. By way of showing what steady men may look forward to it is mentioned that the army contains about five hundred commissioned officers, with pay varying from 9s. to 15s. a day, who have been promoted from the ranks while there is an equal number of warrant officers receiving 6d. a day. Beyond these which may be regarded as the pride of the army—there are 33,000 non-commissioned officers with pay rates from 1s. 2d. to 5s. a day; and the great majority of these men have the right to serve on until they gain a pension. The pension, it is explained, is obtained after 21 years' service, and varies from 1s. 3d. to 4s. 6d. a day. The form of application to enlist with the Post Office supplies is of a simple character; and a youth, who, having seen the War Office advertisement, and having read the pamphlet, desires to enter the army, can do so without any dealing with the public-house recruiting sergeants.

A TRAGIC GAME OF POKER.

I remember one time when we were on our way to New Orleans on a Mississippi river steamboat, Bill and I set up a game in the main saloon. The play used to last all day, and sometimes we would win or lose several thousand dollars in a day. The game was at its brightest in the evening after dinner, when most of the boys were more or less full of wine, and were sometimes very heavy. Well, one night we were just going to sit down to the table when the lamps were lighted, and two new decks of cards were broken, when a little fellow with a big moustache, who said he was a Kentuckian, asked to join the game as he wanted to learn it. He showed a big roll of money, and we ascertained, thinking we had caught a regular sucker. We hadn't been playing half an hour when Bill, on the stranger's deal, got four kings pat, and started of pool mounted up to over \$5,000 before the draw, and much to his surprise, Bill simply called the first bet of \$500, and the hands were then shown. The stranger had aces to tie down four aces upon the table when Bill raised one of his pots to 10s. and one of his hands, and discharged the revolver through the pocket. The stranger sprang up his hands, half rose from his chair, and with a moan, fell forward on the table, knocking over the lamp, and then tumbled back on the floor stone dead. Of course the excitement was tremendous; revolvers were drawn, and a general panic ensued. Bill never lost his nerve for a second. Says he, "Gentlemen, just let me explain this little matter. That man held four aces, and here is the one that I discarded from my own hand, with a moon, fell forward on the table, knocking over the lamp, and then tumbled back on the floor stone dead. Of course the excitement was tremendous; revolvers were drawn, and a general panic ensued. Bill never lost his nerve for a second. Says he, "Gentlemen, just let me explain this little matter. 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